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This Kids Count report details statewide trends in the well-being of Wyoming's children. The first section of the report describes the issues affecting Wyoming's families, health, and teens. The second section consists of a sampling of programs aimed at addressing problems in children's well-being in the areas of teen pregnancy, child abuse, health, child and family poverty, and multiple services agencies. The third section provides an overview of Wyoming's rankings compared to the entire nation. The fourth section consists of the statistical portrait of well being on a county-by-county basis comparing 1990 and 1993 data for the following indicators: (1) percent low birth-weight babies; (2) infant mortality rate; (3) child death rate; (4) births to single teens; (5) juvenile violent crime arrest rate; (6) teen violent death rate; (7) children under 18 living in poverty; (8) single parent households; and (9) teens not in school and not in labor force. The final section of the report consists of detailed individual county profiles including data on the nine indicators listed above, as well as: (1) county demographics; (2) AFDC recipients; (3) food stamp recipients; (4) Medicaid-eligible; and (5) high school dropout rate. Each county profile provides change-over-time data, comparing 1990 to 1993. (SD)

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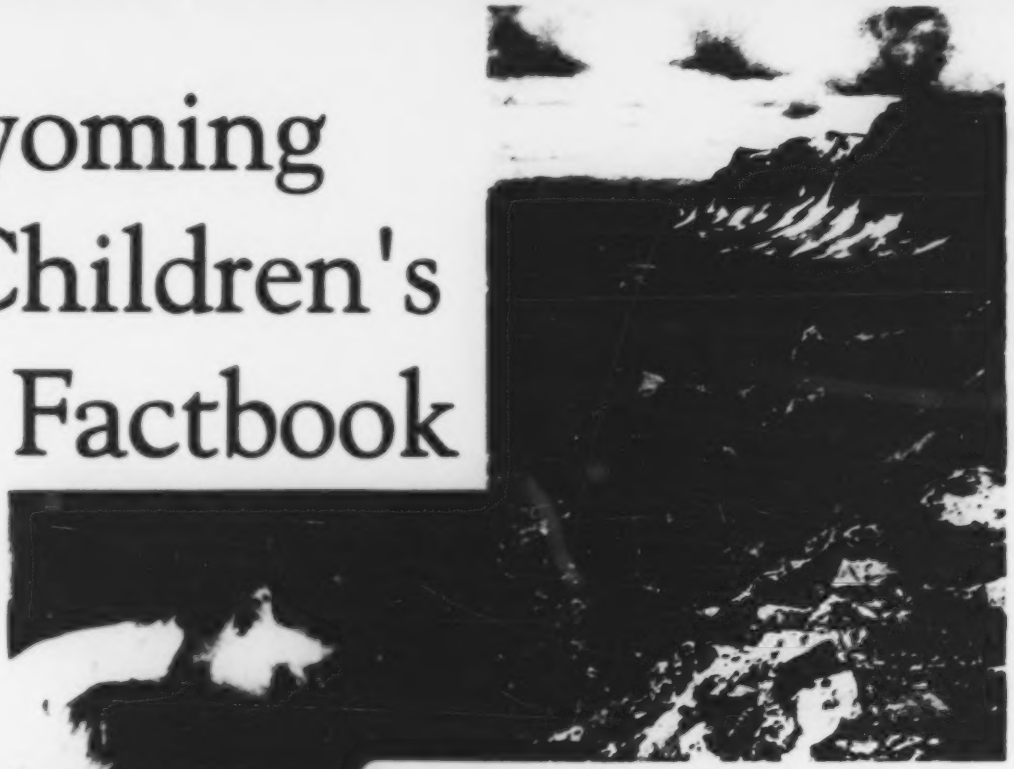

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Thanks for your interest in Wyoming families and children!

The 1995 Wyoming Children's Factbook is a guide to the well-being of Wyoming children. The Factbook pulls together many important indicators to let us know how our kids are faring around the state.

Statewide and county-by-county numbers are presented, as well as a look at how Wyoming compares nationally. Although the purpose of the Factbook is to provide solid data, throughout the book we've also sprinkled ideas and programs for strengthening children and families. At the back of the Factbook, you will find explanations as to how we arrived at the numbers.

If you would like more information on these indicators or have any questions, please call *Wyoming* P.A.R.E.N.T.'s Information and Data Service at (307) 635-8262. We hope you will find the Factbook useful as you work toward improving the well-being of children!

Sincerely,

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This FACTBOOK is dedicated to the children
who lift our concerns to actions.

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Who We Are

Wyoming P.A.R.E.N.T. is a statewide nonprofit organization whose mission is to develop "community" awareness and support for strengthening Wyoming children and families by providing resources, education, networking and training.

Wyoming P.A.R.E.N.T.'s concerns include: children in poverty, maternal and child health, children with disabilities and special needs, family support, parenting, education, child care, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, teen violence and suicide, and child abuse and neglect.

WY KIDS COUNT is a project of *Wyoming* P.A.R.E.N.T. and shares available data about child well-being to raise public awareness about the needs of Wyoming children and families. WY KIDS COUNT also highlights programs that have effectively improved the lives of children and families in Wyoming.

Wyoming P.A.R.E.N.T. offers the following services:

- Information and Data Service - providing policy makers, professionals, and parents with accurate and unbiased numbers, as well as model policies and programs.
- Legislative advocacy activities - helping concerned citizens address the root causes of today's challenges to children and families.
- The P.A.R.E.N.T. Talkline - a toll-free phoneline for parents, youth, and professionals with concerns and questions about children and family issues.
- The P.A.R.E.N.T. Clearinghouse - a free lending library of hundreds of videos, books, brochures, and other information circulated statewide.
- Special services and resources for child care providers and parents seeking child care.
- Solution-oriented publications - including newsletters, posters, reports, and brochures.
- Public education on child and family issues - through newspaper, radio, and TV media.
- Community forums, workshops and presentations around Wyoming - bringing together parents, youth, professionals, and policy makers to create Wyoming solutions.

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The Issues

The Family

Most of Wyoming's families with children under 18 are able to provide their children with a safe environment, good education, adequate health care, and most importantly, love and time together. But many families face threats from conditions associated with poverty, poor health care, poor nutrition, violence, neglect, divorce and separation. Many families themselves, and our government, are failing to invest in families.

A primary threat to Wyoming families is poverty. Childhood poverty is closely linked to other undesirable outcomes which begin with medical problems at birth and progress to substandard health, poor nutrition, an unsafe and insecure home, low self-esteem, teen pregnancy, school dropouts, crime, and unemployment (see page 15).

18,702 Wyoming children lived in poverty according to the last census. That is 13.8 percent, or one out of every seven children. Compared to the national number of 20.6 percent, Wyoming looks pretty good. However, it is crucial to note that the child poverty rate in the United States is much worse than that of most other developed nations. In the U.S., one in five children live in poverty, compared to one in twenty children in Sweden and Switzerland, one in thirteen children in Norway, one in twelve children in Germany, one in ten children in Canada, and one in nine children in the United Kingdom (Palmer, Smeeding, and Torrey, 1988). We are a nation of far too many poor children and families. Our high child poverty rate is due to very low investments in effective government assistance to the needy. With predicted drops in government programs, more families throughout Wyoming and the U.S. will fall into poverty.

Although Wyoming currently ranks well at 6 in the nation with one of the lowest percent of families headed by a single parent, the rate has risen steadily, from 14.7 percent in 1985 to 19.9 percent in 1992. This is a 35 percent increase, double the national increase of 17 percent. In 1990, 20.8% of Wyoming children lived in households with only one parent. More than 12 percent of the children in Wyoming are living in households with no adult male present.

A testimony to single parents is that so many kids coming out of single parent homes beat the conditions statistically associated with single parent families - dropping out of school, becoming unwed pregnant teenagers, ending up in jail, and again, poverty. The median income of married-couple families with children under 18 was $36,726, while the median income for female householders with children under 18 was $11,143 in 1990 (U.S. Census).

Investing more time, more support, and more money in families can rebuild America's foundation.

> In Wyoming in 1993, 1,416 cases were substantiated by the Wyoming Department of Family Services of children being abused physically, sexually, through neglect, through psychological terror, and/or other maltreatment.

Health

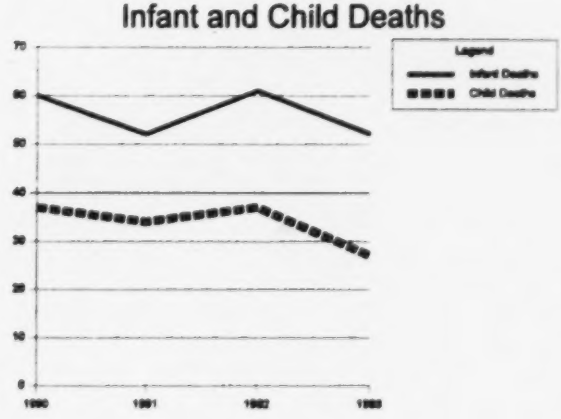
Wyoming's babies are being born healthier, due to government and private investments in maternal health care. Wyoming's percentage of low birth-weight babies (births under 5.5 pounds) improved slightly from 7.4 percent (513 low birth-weight babies) in 1990 to 7.3 percent (476, or almost one out of every 14 babies) in 1993. Nationally in 1992, 7.1 percent of all babies were low birth-weight (see page 9).

Mothers who do not receive early prenatal care are more likely to give birth to low birth-weight babies. Mothers who lack health insurance are less likely to seek and obtain prenatal care. Additionally, many young mothers are not fully informed of how behaviors, such as smoking, drinking and poor nutrition, may add risks to the health of their unborn children. Low birth-weight babies have an increased probability of developmental problems.

The first year of life is more precarious than later years. Poverty and an unhealthy or unsafe environment have a big impact on this vulnerable group. In Wyoming, automobile accidents are the primary cause of infant (and child and teen) mortalities. Many of these deaths occur because infants are not in child safety seats or children are not wearing seat belts. Wyoming's infant mortality rate (deaths per 1,000 live births) improved slightly from 8.6 percent (60 deaths, or nearly one out of every 116 births) in 1990 to 7.9 percent (52 deaths, or nearly one out of every 126 births) in 1993 (see page 10). Nationally, the 1992 infant mortality rate was 8.5 percent. Although the infant mortality rate in the United States is falling, there are still 22 countries that have lower rates.

Once children survive the first year of life, mortality drops sharply. However, far too many Wyoming children are still exposed to high-risk situations such as automobile and household accidents. Wyoming's child death rate (deaths in ages 1-14, per 100,000 children) improved from 30.4 (37 deaths) in 1990 to 19.2 (27 deaths) in 1993. Nationally, the 1992 child death rate was 28.8 (see page 11).

Health care is an investment. What we don't pay for today will come back to haunt us tomorrow. Increased investments in accessible, quality health care will pay off in significant benefits for generations of Wyoming citizens.

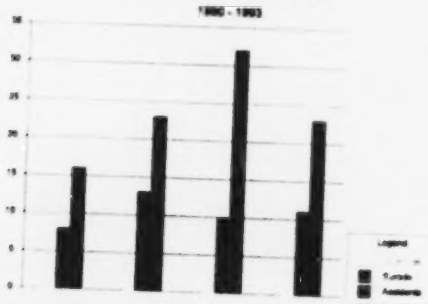


The Teen Years

Teens who grow up in a safe, nurturing environment, who develop a positive self-image, and who feel connected to their families can better respond to stress, peer pressure and high-risk behavior. They are better able to strengthen decision-making skills.

Wyoming is a dangerous state in which to be a teenager. Nationally, Wyoming ranks 50th - the worst state in the nation in violent deaths among teenagers in 1992. Wyoming had 43 violent teenage deaths in 1992. Violent deaths among teens include homicide, suicide and accidental deaths. Nationwide, the teen violent death rate increased 6 percent between 1985 and 1992.

Teen Violent Deaths



In Wyoming the rate increased 16 percent. In 1993 there were 34 violent deaths among Wyoming teenagers. Sixteen teens died in automobile crashes and 11 committed suicide. Sheridan County had Wyoming's highest teen violent death rate with six deaths. Converse, Fremont, Goshen, Hot Springs, Johnson, Niobrara, Platte, Sublette, and Teton Counties had no teen violent deaths in 1993.

Unmarried teen mothers face tough odds including low income, low education, low social involvement, and inadequate support from the babies' fathers. Their children face greater odds, from poverty, to dropping out of school, to divorces, to continuing the cycle of births out of wedlock. In 1993, 9.3 percent of all births (607 babies) were born to unmarried teens. A 13 percent increase from 1990, when 7.7 percent of all births (539 babies) were born to unmarried teens.

Growing juvenile violent crime arrest rates in Wyoming tell us that we have already missed childhood opportunities. Investing in loved, safe, secure, healthy and well-educated kids will be tomorrow's crime prevention. Investments in jails warehouse our failures as families and as a society. Compared to other states, Wyoming arrests fewer teens, ranking 4th. However, in Wyoming in 1990, 69 teens were arrested, while in 1993, 89 teens were arrested - a 29 percent increase. Goshen, Johnson, Washakie and Weston counties had no arrests in 1990 and 1993. Nationally, the arrest rate increased 58 percent from 1985 to 1992.

Teens who drop out of high school face enormous odds for financial success. High school dropouts will earn 75 percent as much as high school graduates, and less than half as much as college graduates (U.S. Census). The percentage of Wyoming teens who dropped out of high school in the 1993-94 school year was a low 4.17, or one of nearly every 24 students, compared to the 1992 national drop-out rate of 9.3, or one of nearly every 11 students.

Communities, businesses, schools, churches and other organizations can offer teens the chance to participate with other teens and adults. Individuals need to take that extra step to get teens at high risk to join in the community activities and outings that they might otherwise avoid because they feel like outsiders.

Wyoming Ideas and Programs that Work

Here's a small sample of how Wyoming citizens are working together on concerns facing our children. If you know of a program that should be shared around the state, please inform ***Wyoming*** P.A.R.E.N.T. at (800) 400-3999.

TEEN PREGNANCY

Wyoming Governor's Council on Teen Pregnancy
The council works actively on a number of prevention fronts, including: creating statewide awareness regarding the complexity of teen sexuality issues, working with school districts to develop comprehensive school health programs, sponsoring writing contests in secondary schools, conducting community conferences and workshops, developing posters and other educational materials, providing videos free of charge through the Department of Health library, and networking with organizations to expand reproductive health services throughout the state. For more information, contact Nancy Neufeld at (307) 265-1523.

Western Wyoming Family Planning, Rock Springs
The organization's primary focus is helping high-risk, low-income women, including teens, make wise choices about reproductive health. WWFP provides various services, including pregnancy and STD testing, women's reproductive exams, contraceptives, counseling, and referrals. WWFP makes presentations in the schools. Contact Dave Fran at 362-6813.

Washakie Co. Public Health and Family Planning Services
The agency provides confidential information, exams, and pregnancy and HIV testing. "Let's Talk Sense About Sex" videos and workbooks are available to parents and group leaders on teaching sex education to children. Contact Aldeen Swartzendruber at (800) 870-2249 or (307) 347-3278.

CHILD ABUSE

Wyoming Coalition and Laramie County Council for Prevention of Child Abuse
The council is involved with: raising public awareness, public and professional education including identification and reporting of abuse, developing and supporting the development of community prevention programs, support and ideas for parents, information and referral services, sponsorship of Parents Anonymous (free, confidential, self-help groups for parents to build better relationships with children), and presentations for schools and organizations. The Coalition utilizes volunteers and is developing county councils statewide. Contact Jaye Roseborough at (307) 637-8622.

Wyoming Department of Family Services, (DFS)
DFS is involved at many levels, from prevention education to court actions. DFS spearheads education efforts statewide, and supports and works with other state government and private efforts, such as the Children's Trust Fund, which promotes community efforts. DFS is well known for providing direct services to prevent secondary acts of abuse, including parenting classes, in-home services, shelter crisis care, foster care, long-term placement, and referrals for prosecution. DFS conducts special investigations with law enforcement agencies. A new DFS service is providing profile screenings for organizations hiring individuals or volunteers to work with children. For more information, contact Rick Robb at (307) 777-7150.

HEALTH

Best Beginnings for Wyoming Babies
This statewide program assures that pregnant women throughout Wyoming receive all appropriate services and early prenatal care to decrease infant mortality, and reduce low birth weights. A community works together to tailor a program that best meets the needs of the community. As an example, the Albany County Best Beginnings program meets county needs with: prenatal education efforts, early pregnancy and prepared child birth classes, teaching infant and child CPR, and preventive health care and best parenting through home visits. Albany County Best Beginnings also serves as a community resource center and helps develop local programs and solutions. Contact Lois Pine at (307) 777-7944 for statewide information, and Teri Barrows for Albany County information at (307) 721-2561.

Children and Nutrition Services, **(CNS) Casper**
This service provides nutrition education, parenting education classes, workshops, and conflict resolution training to home day care providers and parents. CNS sponsors the Child Care Food Program to partially reimburse home day care providers for nutritious meals and snacks. CNS also helps people start infant and toddler nutrition and feeding programs. Contact Jeanne Rothaupt at (800) 578-4017 or (307) 266-1236.

Nutrition and Child Development, Inc. **(NCD)** Casper
NCD provides training, technical assistance, educational materials, and correspondence courses to home day cares throughout the state on topics such as stress management, multi-cultural issues, nutrition, holiday curriculums, and educational games. NCD sponsors the Child Care Food Program to partially reimburse home day care providers for nutritious meals and snacks. In addition, NCD refers parents seeking child care to participating day care businesses statewide, and provides start-up technical assistance and small grants to day cares. NCD publishes a newsletter, and is active in legislative advocacy. Contact Joan Suer or Terry Barnett at (800) 543-2428.

CHILD AND FAMILY POVERTY

Wyoming's Religious Community
Church programs range from food services to meet current needs to legislative advocacy to attack the root causes of poverty. Here are two examples. SHARE programs across Wyoming distribute quality food packages for far less than retail price in return for community volunteer work. Contact your local church or the regional office in Ft. Collins at (800) 933-7427. Bread for the World is a network of church committees and individuals reducing poverty through grassroots lobbying. Call the regional organizer at (818) 568-3233.

Wyoming Women, Infants and Children Program **(WIC)**
WIC is a statewide, temporary food and nutrition program for pregnant or breast feeding women, infants and children up to age 5. In addition to nutritious foods, WIC provides counseling on good nutrition and health, and referrals to helpful local organizations and services. The program is quite cost effective. Studies estimate that every $1 the government spends on WIC saves at least $3 in initial primary care costs. Long-term savings to society, fewer disabilities and improved public health are even more significant.

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Help Me Grow Line
This toll-free phoneline is a new, statewide connection to information and services on a wide variety of child issues. Topics include: drug and alcohol prevention, child abuse prevention, child safety, auto safety, immunizations, nutrition, prenatal care and parenting issues. Call (800) 994-GROW.

WYOMING RANKS 23RD

In the 1995 National KIDS COUNT Data Book, Wyoming ranked 23rd overall. Here is how Wyoming compares to other states (one as the best and 51 as the worst):

	Wyoming Rate	US Rate	Wyoming's Rank
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate	87	483	4th
Number of births to unmarried teens*	29.4%	42.5%	6th
Percent of families with children headed by a single parent	19.9%	25.3%	6th
Percent of children in poverty	13.2%	20.6%	7th
Percent of teens not attending school and not working	8.8%	9.9%	20th
Percent of teens who are high school drop outs	8.3%	9.3%	26th
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.3%	7.1%	32nd
Infant mortality rate	8.9	8.5	33rd
Child death rate	33.9	28.8	41st
Teen violent death rate	116.2	66.6	50th

*The 1995 National KIDS COUNT Data Book focused on the fertility behavior of teens ages 15 to 19. County percentages on the following pages are based on total number of births in 1990 and 1993.

The following pages take a closer look at Wyoming's rates for 1990 and 1993. Then the county profiles look at additional facts, as well as, reveal whether the rates improve or worsen from 1990 to 1993 by using an up arrow (▲) to indicate worse and a down (▼) arrow to indicate better. A star (☆) is used to show best possible and a circled X (⊗) indicates that only one year of data is available. Following the county profiles is a look at more facts. The Appendix consists of the methodology and data sources.

The Indicators

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Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies, percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.

	1990		1993	
	# Low Birth-Weight Babies	Percent	# Low Birth-Weight Babies	Percent
Wyoming	513	7.4	476	7.3
Albany	32	7.4	36	9.3
Big Horn	5	3.2	4	2.6
Campbell	36	6.8	40	8.0
Carbon	18	8.3	14	6.5
Converse	7	4.6	14	9.9
Crook	8	9.0	2	2.9
Fremont	45	7.7	22	4.3
Goshen	12	7.5	13	8.1
Hot Springs	7	14.6	7	16.7
Johnson	5	5.8	3	4.6
Laramie	96	8.0	82	6.7
Lincoln	14	5.5	16	8.7
Natrona	64	6.9	57	6.5
Niobrara	3	12.5	2	8.0
Park	18	5.5	24	8.2
Platte	7	7.5	3	3.6
Sheridan	15	5.3	20	7.1
Sublette	4	5.6	9	12.0
Sweetwater	42	7.5	50	7.9
Teton	8	3.8	11	6.8
Uinta	49	13.6	33	10.6
Washakie	11	9.7	9	8.0
Weston	7	9.0	5	9.1

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Infant Mortality Rate, per 1,000 live births

	1990		1993	
	# of Infant Deaths	Rate	# of Infant Deaths	Rate
Wyoming	60	8.6	52	7.9
Albany	3	6.7	3	7.7
Big Horn	2	12.7	1	6.5
Campbell	2	3.8	4	8.0
Carbon	0	0.0	4	18.6
Converse	1	6.6	1	7.0
Crook	0	0.0	0	0.0
Fremont	5	8.6	6	11.8
Goshen	3	18.6	0	0.0
Hot Springs	1	20.8	0	0.0
Johnson	0	0.0	0	0.0
Laramie	12	9.6	10	8.2
Lincoln	4	15.8	0	0.0
Natrona	10	10.7	9	10.3
Niobrara	0	0.0	0	0.0
Park	3	9.1	3	10.2
Platte	0	0.0	0	0.0
Sheridan	3	10.5	1	3.6
Sublette	2	27.8	0	0.0
Sweetwater	5	8.9	5	7.9
Teton	1	4.7	3	18.5
Uinta	2	5.5	2	6.5
Washakie	0	0.0	0	0.0
Weston	1	12.8	0	0.0

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Child Death Rate, ages 1-14 per 100,000 children

	1990		1993	
	# of Child Deaths	Rate	# of Child Deaths	Rate
Wyoming	37	30.4	27	24.1
Albany	1	18.9	0	0.0
Big Horn	0	0.0	3	118.4
Campbell	4	46.7	1	11.2
Carbon	2	50.6	0	0.0
Converse	1	34.2	0	0.0
Crook	0	0.0	0	0.0
Fremont	2	23.4	4	49.2
Goshen	1	36.7	2	72.2
Hot Springs	4	411.1	1	107.0
Johnson	0	0.0	0	0.0
Laramie	4	24.7	2	11.8
Lincoln	0	0.0	3	74.1
Natrona	1	7.0	1	6.8
Niobrara	0	0.0	0	0.0
Park	2	38.2	2	36.5
Platte	0	0.0	2	108.6
Sheridan	3	60.4	1	19.4
Sublette	1	93.0	0	0.0
Sweetwater	3	28.0	2	17.9
Teton	1	45.6	0	0.0
Uinta	3	50.2	2	31.7
Washakie	0	0.0	0	0.0
Weston	0	0.0	1	63.5

Percent of All Births to Single Teens, percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20

	1990		1993	
	# of Births to Single Teens	Percent	# of Births to Single Teens	Percent
Wyoming	539	7.7	607	9.3
Albany	19	4.4	24	6.2
Big Horn	8	5.1	19	12.3
Campbell	56	10.5	57	11.4
Carbon	18	8.2	24	11.2
Converse	14	9.2	18	12.7
Crook	0	0.0	3	4.4
Fremont	56	9.6	75	14.8
Goshen	10	6.2	13	8.1
Hot Springs	7	14.6	2	4.8
Johnson	3	3.5	8	12.3
Laramie	100	8.3	97	8.0
Lincoln	11	4.3	8	4.4
Natrona	76	8.2	95	10.9
Niobrara	0	0.0	3	12.0
Park	28	8.5	15	5.1
Platte	5	5.4	7	8.3
Sheridan	18	6.3	26	9.3
Sublette	3	4.2	2	2.7
Sweetwater	56	10.0	53	8.3
Teton	5	2.4	5	3.1
Uinta	28	7.8	33	10.6
Washakie	7	6.2	10	8.8
Weston	11	14.1	10	18.2

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Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate, ages 10-17 per 100,000 youths

	1990			1993		
	# of Juvenile Arrests		Rate	# of Juvenile Arrests		Rate
Wyoming	18,702	13.8	13,006	20	2,123	7.7
Albany	1		18.9	3		111.1
Big Horn	675	21.2	195	15	69	11.0
Campbell	11		241.7	15		316.9
Carbon	571	11.5	462	19	101	10.8
Converse	2		117.5	4		226.1
Crook	277	16.3	95	13	17	7.4
Fremont	2		43.1	9		187.7
Goshen	894	25.6	341	21	66	8.5
Hot Springs	4		621.1	2		322.6
Johnson	231	14.0	135	17	32	9.8
Laramie	4		46.8	10		111.1
Lincoln	566	11.8	228	12	76	10.0
Natrona	21		270.2	21		262.6
Niobrara	161	26.7	61	20	2	1.9
Park	3		104.7	3		99.7
Platte	478	20.3	177	16	6	1.4
Sheridan	0		0.0	5		162.5
Sublette	111	8.1	80	12	10	4.4
Sweetwater	1		16.5	6		94.7
Teton	288	10.6	240	17	26	7.3
Uinta	6		179.7	1		28.3
Washakie	256	10.2	184	16	21	4.3
Weston	0		0.0	0		0.0

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Teen Violent Death Rate, ages 15-19 per 100,000 youths

	1990		1993	
	# of Teen Violent Deaths	Rate	# of Teen Violent Deaths	Rate
Wyoming	27	77.6	34	94.0
Albany	0	0.0	2	60.2
Big Horn	0	0.0	1	122.9
Campbell	1	44.5	1	42.5
Carbon	2	164.8	1	84.4
Converse	0	0.0	0	0.0
Crook	0	0.0	1	271.0
Fremont	5	204.6	0	0.0
Goshen	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hot Springs	0	0.0	0	0.0
Johnson	0	0.0	0	0.0
Laramie	6	115.7	3	54.9
Lincoln	2	189.0	2	179.9
Natrona	4	89.5	4	87.0
Niobrara	0	0.0	0	0.0
Park	0	0.0	5	264.1
Platte	0	0.0	0	0.0
Sheridan	2	113.5	6	327.7
Sublette	0	0.0	0	0.0
Sweetwater	1	31.8	1	30.8
Teton	1	181.2	0	0.0
Uinta	3	186.0	4	235.8
Washakie	0	0.0	2	293.3
Weston	0	0.0	1	229.4

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Family Well-Being, 1990 Census Information

	Children under age 18 living in poverty		Single parent households with children under age 18		Percent teens not in school & not in labor force	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Wyoming	69		114.8	89		142.5
Albany	985	14.9	794	23	171	5.8
Big Horn	4		160.7	0		0.0
Campbell	974	9.3	853	17	78	4.4
Carbon	3		128.5	4		176.1
Converse	524	14.3	346	19	60	9.1
Crook	0		0.0	1		129.0
Fremont	2,693	25.5	1,124	24	236	12.6
Goshen	0		0.0	0		0.0
Hot Springs	128	10.2	135	22	31	13.7
Johnson	0		0.0	0		0.0
Laramie	2,678	13.1	2,367	23	353	8.4
Lincoln	2		89.6	1		42.7
Natrona	2,730	15.3	2,108	24	221	6.1
Niobrara	0		0.0	1		350.9
Park	680	10.4	559	18	98	6.5
Platte	3		276.8	0		0.0
Sheridan	690	10.9	717	23	107	7.9
Sublette	0		0.0	1		150.2
Sweetwater	1,126	8.5	1,120	18	163	6.7
Teton	2		191.0	2		165.6
Uinta	763	10.3	529	17	144	11.1
Washakie	0		0.0	0		0.0
Weston	223	11.5	156	17	35	10.8

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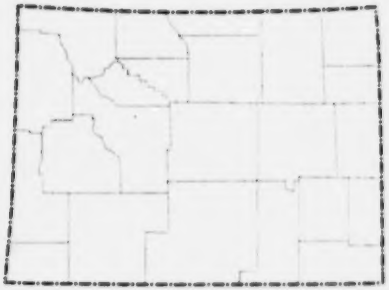
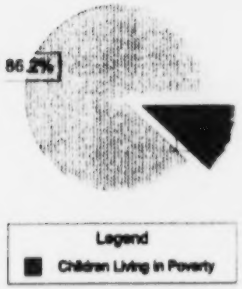
Wyoming



Demographics	1990
Total Population	453,588
Population under age 18	135,525
Minority population under age 18	15,851

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$36,726
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$11,143
Number of children living in poverty	18,702
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	13,006

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	16,160	30,013	25,046
Fiscal Year '92	16,917	33,050	30,187
Fiscal Year '93	18,551	34,310	33,469

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WYOMING	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs)	513	7.4%	476	7.3%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	60	8.6	52	7.9	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	37	30.4	27	19.2	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	539	7.7%	607	9.3%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	69	114.8	89	142.5	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	27	77.6	34	94.0	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	2,123	7.7%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate	**School Year 90-91**		**School Year 93-94**		
Wyoming	**3.4**		**4.17**		▲

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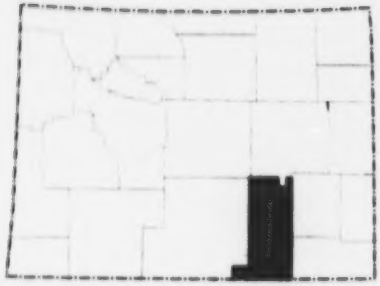
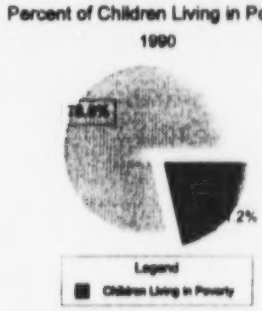
Albany County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	30,797
Population under age 18	6,599
Minority population under age 18	825



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$34,180
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$11,856
Number of children living in poverty	985
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	794

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	800	1,660	1,381
Fiscal Year '92	920	1,891	1,745
Fiscal Year '93	1,035	1,955	1,953

ALBANY COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ⧗-Better ⧗-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs)	32	7.4%	36	9.3%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	3	6.7	3	7.7	▲
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	1	18.9	0	0.0	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	19	4.4%	24	6.2%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	1	37.2	3	111.1	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	2	60.2	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	171	5.8%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by School District)	**School Year 90-91**		**School Year 93-94**		
Albany #1	**4.3**		**6.07**		▲

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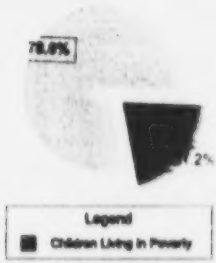
CHILDREN NEED EQUAL PARTS LOVE AND TIME. ONE CAN NEVER MAKE UP FOR THE OTHER.

Big Horn County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	10,525
Population under age 18	3,177
Minority population under age 18	251

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$29,797
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$9,900
Number of children living in poverty	675
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	195

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	321	836	747
Fiscal Year '92	346	952	848
Fiscal Year '93	303	826	780

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BIG HORN COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	5	3.2%	4	2.6%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	2	12.7	1	6.5	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	3	118.4	▲
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	8	5.1%	19	12.3%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	4	160.7	0	0.0	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	1	122.9	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	69	11.0%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (By School District)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Big Horn #1	1.4		5.44		▲
Big Horn #2	0.6		2.12		▲
Big Horn #3	2.0		4.07		▲
Big Horn #4	0.5		2.21		▲

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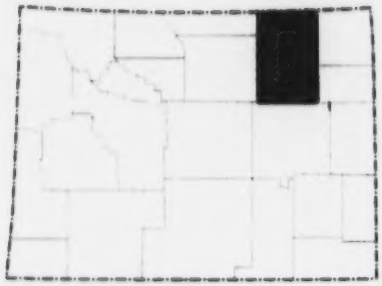
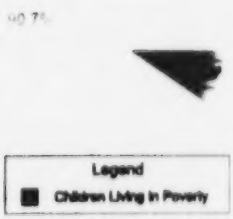
Campbell County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	29,370
Population under age 18	10,476
Minority population under age 18	413

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics and Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$44,987
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$11,682
Number of children living in poverty	974
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	853

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	664	1,172	1,039
Fiscal Year '92	696	1,282	1,276
Fiscal Year '93	771	1,450	1,511

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CAMPBELL COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	36	6.8%	40	8.0%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	2	3.8	4	8.0	▲
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	4	46.7	1	11.2	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	56	10.5%	57	11.4%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	11	241.7	15	316.9	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	1	44.5	1	42.5	▼
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	78	4.4%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Campbell #1	3.9		3.71		▼

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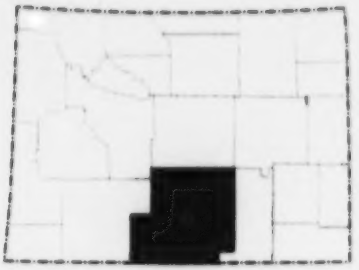
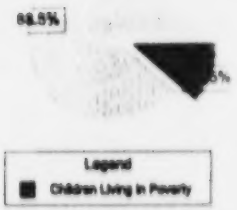
CHILDREN PICK UP BEHAVIOR THEY SEE. MAKE FAMILIES STRONGER BY ACTIONS AS WELL AS WORDS.

Carbon County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	16,659
Population under age 18	4,960
Minority population under age 18	857

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$36,815
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$ 8,046
Number of children living in poverty	571
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	462

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	467	816	748
Fiscal Year '92	472	905	892
Fiscal Year '93	524	918	992

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CARBON COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	18	8.3%	14	6.5%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.0	4	18.6	▲
Child Death Rate (ages1-14, per 100,000 children)	2	50.6	0	0.0	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	18	8.2%	24	11.2%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	3	128.5	4	176.1	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	2	164.8	1	84.4	▼
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	101	10.8%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Carbon #1	5.0		8.26		▲
Carbon #2	0.6		1.36		▲

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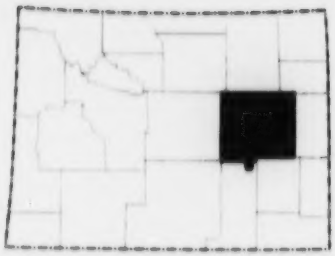
Converse County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	11,128
Population under age 18	3,671
Minority population under age 18	253

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990

Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$36,387
Median income of female house holders with children under 18	$14,375
Number of children living in poverty	524
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	346

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	474	899	679
Fiscal Year '92	532	941	849
Fiscal Year '93	527	895	881

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CONVERSE COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ⧗-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	7	4.6%	14	9.9%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	1	6.6	1	7.0	▲
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	1	34.2	0	0.0	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	14	9.2	18	12.7%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 children)	2	117.8	4	226.1	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	60	9.1%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Converse #1	2.4		2.43		▲
Converse #2	2.2		1.88		▼

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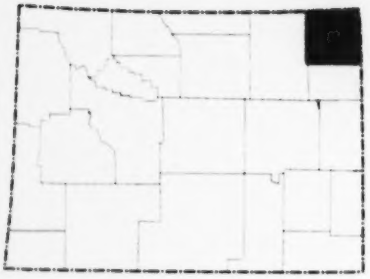
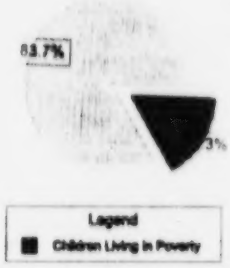
SCHEDULE DAILY READ TIME, SHARE STORIES.

Crook County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	5,294
Population under age 18	1,699
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics and Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$30,878
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$11,161
Number of children living in poverty	277
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	95

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	77	208	165
Fiscal Year '92	86	246	210
Fiscal Year '93	91	235	218

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CROOK COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No Rate in either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	8	9.0%	2	2.9%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	0	0.0	3	4.4%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 yourths)	0	0.0	1	129.0	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	1	271.0	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	17	7.4%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Crook #1	1.9		1.28		▼

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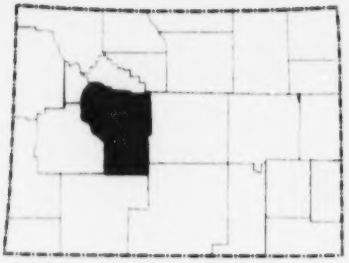
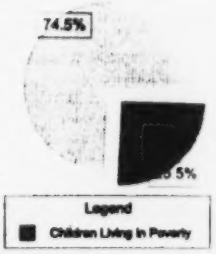
Fremont County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	33,662
Population under age 18	10,554
Minority population under age 18	3,342

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$30,613
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$10,680
Number of children living in poverty	2,693
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	1,124

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	2,451	4,328	3,565
Fiscal Year '92	2,415	4,603	4,160
Fiscal Year '93	2,801	4,930	4,595

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FREMONT COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	45	7.7%	22	4.3%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	5	8.6	6	11.8	▲
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	2	23.4	4	49.2	▲
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	56	9.6%	75	14.8%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youth)	2	43.1	9	187.7	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	5	204.6	0	0.0	▼
Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	236	12.6%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Fremont #1	8.2		6.35		▼
Fremont #2	0.7		2.33		▲
Fremont #6	4.5		3.05		▼
Fremont #9	0.0		5.00		▲
Fremont #14	11.4		8.09		▼
Fremont #21 and Fremont #38	0.0		0.00		☆
Fremont #24	0.0		1.78		▲
Fremont #25	2.3		5.59		▲

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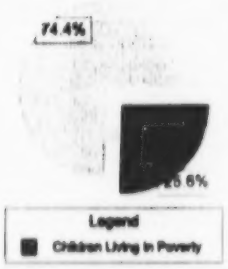
Goshen County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	12,373
Population under age 18	3,499
Minority population under age 18	471

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$31,168
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$ 7,040
Number of children living in poverty	894
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	341

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	613	1,478	1,020
Fiscal Year '92	604	1,590	1,160
Fiscal Year '93	676	1,486	1,289

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GOSHEN COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	12	7.5%	13	8.1%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	3	18.6	0	0.0	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	1	36.7	2	72.2	▲
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percentof live births to unmarried women under age 20)	10	6.2%	13	8.1%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youth)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	66	8.5%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Goshen #1	2.4		3.96		▲

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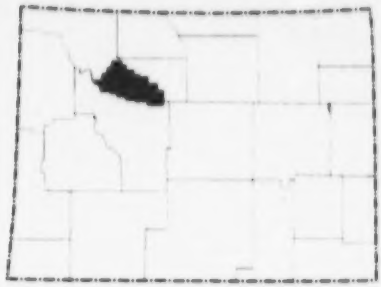
GET POLITICAL FOR CHILDREN'S SAKE. DECIDE TOP FAMILY ISSUES. CALL AND WRITE CONGRESS. VOTE FAMILIES. WRITE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. JOIN ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS.

Hot Springs County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	4,809
Population under age 18	1,255
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990

Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$35,263
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$13,571
Number of children living in poverty	128
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	135

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	187	373	301
Fiscal Year '92	186	398	441
Fiscal Year '93	213	426	492

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HOT SPRINGS COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5)	7	14.6%	7	16.7%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	1	20.8	0	0.0	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	4	411.1	1	107.0	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	7	14.6%	2	4.8%	▼
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	4	621.1	2	322.6	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	31	13.7%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Hot Springs #1	0.9		5.30		▲

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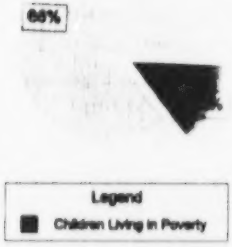
BECOME A FAMILY OF THINKERS, DOERS, AND CREATORS, RATHER THAN SPECTATORS.

Johnson County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	6,145
Population under age 18	1,646
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$32,646
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$17,500
Number of children living in poverty	231
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	135

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	143	405	305
Fiscal Year '92	130	396	350
Fiscal Year '93	165	442	368

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JOHNSON COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	5	5.8%	3	4.6%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	3	3.5%	8	12.3%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	32	9.8%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Johnson #1	0.9		1.11		▲

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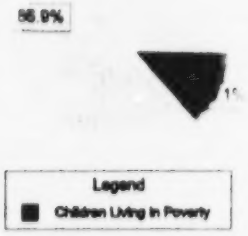
AS A PARENT OF A CHILD WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, CONTINUALLY SEARCH FOR SOLUTIONS AND SUPPORT. NEVER PRESUME ONE SOURCE HAS ALL THE ANSWERS. CONNECT WITH OTHER PARENTS OF SPECIAL CHILDREN.

Laramie County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	73,142
Population under age 18	20,375
Minority population under age 18	3,950

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Compostion	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$36,292
Median income of female house-holders with children under 18	$13,185
Number of children living in poverty	2,678
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	2,367

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	3,188	5,370	4,584
Fiscal Year '92	3,237	5,667	5,356
Fiscal Year '93	3,434	5,858	5,871

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LARAMIE COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No Rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	96	8.0%	82	6.7%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	12	9.6	10	8.2	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	4	24.7	2	11.8	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	100	8.3%	97	8.0%	▼
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	4	46.8	10	111.1	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	6	115.7	3	54.9%	▼
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	353	8.4%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Laramie #1	4.9		3.46		▼
Laramie #2	1.4		1.97		▲

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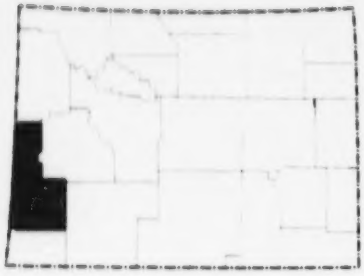
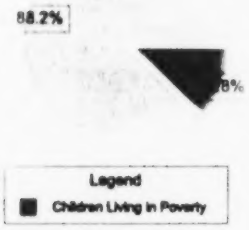
Lincoln County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	12,625
Population under age 18	4,809
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$34,908
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$11,994
Number of children living in poverty	566
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	228

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	211	556	417
Fiscal Year '92	223	585	525
Fiscal Year '93	268	594	628

LINCOLN COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No Rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	14	5.5%	16	8.7%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	4	15.8	0	0.0	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	3	74.1	▲
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	11	4.3%	8	4.4%	▼
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	2	89.6	1	42.7	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	2	189.0	2	179.9	▼
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	76	10.0%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Lincoln #1	1.5		3.93		▲
Lincoln #2	1.4		1.19		▼

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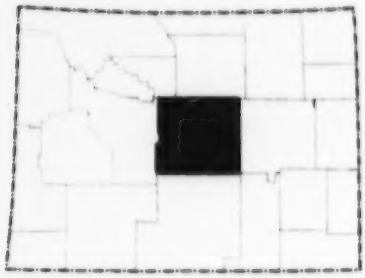
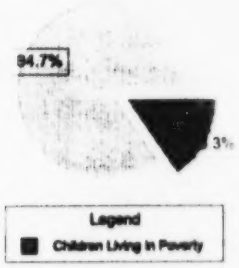
Natrona County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	61,226
Population under age 18	17,854
Minority population under age 18	1,292

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$36,536
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$ 8,647
Number of children living in poverty	2,730
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	2,108

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	2,865	4,620	3,904
Fiscal Year '92	3,069	5,293	4,813
Fiscal Year '93	3,264	5,420	5,162

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NATRONA COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	64	6.9%	57	6.5%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	10	10.7	9	10.3	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	1	7.0	1	6.8	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	76	8.2%	95	10.9%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	21	270.2	21	262.6	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	3	67.1	4	87.0	▼
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	221	6.1%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Natrona #1	2.8		5.39		▲

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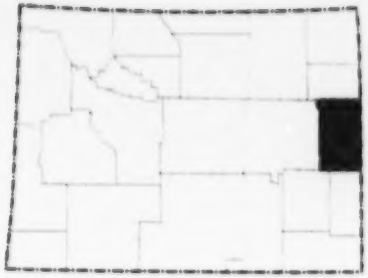
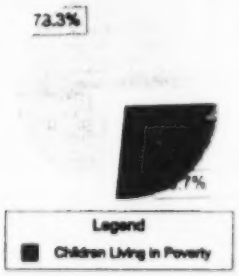
FIND WAYS TO SUPPORT PREGNANT TEENS, AND YOUNG MOTHERS. ENCOURAGE TEENS TO AVOID PREGNANCY TO KEEP OPTIONS OPEN. SUPPORT PROGRAMS TO REDUCE TEEN PREGNANCIES.

Niobrara County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	2,499
Population under age 18	603
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$31,719
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$ 8,625
Number of children living in poverty	161
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	61

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	86	204	182
Fiscal Year '92	87	229	203
Fiscal Year '93	114	260	253

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NIOBRARA COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	3	12.5%	2	8.0%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	0	0.0	3	12.0	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	0	0.0	1	350.9	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	2	1.9%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Niobrara #1	1.4		3.60		▲

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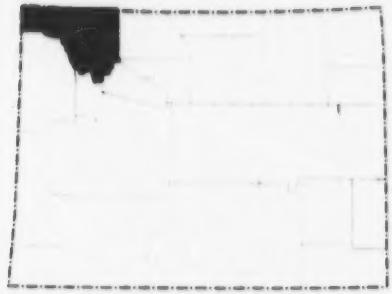
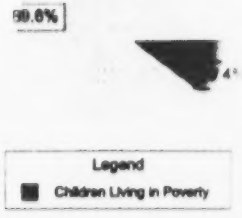
REMEMBER THE GUIDEPOSTS OF LIFE. WORSHIP YOUR FAITH AS A FAMILY.

Park County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	23,178
Population under age 18	6,509
Minority population under age 18	346

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$34,323
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$11,265
Number of children living in poverty	680
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	559

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	609	1,243	1,105
Fiscal Year '92	675	1,413	1,347
Fiscal Year '93	835	1,713	1,612

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PARK COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	18	5.5%	24	8.2%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	3	9.1	3	10.2	▲
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	2	38.2	2	36.5	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	28	8.5%	15	5.1%	▼
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	3	104.7	3	99.7	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	5	2641	▲
Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	98	6.5%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Park #1	2.8		4.17		▲
Park #6	1.7		1.18		▼
Park #16	1.2		1.12		▼

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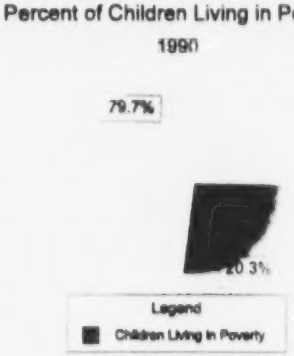
Platte County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	8,145
Population under age 18	2,350
Minority population under age 18	170



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$34,297
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$ 8,087
Number of children living in poverty	478
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	177

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	197	500	375
Fiscal Year '92	210	634	473
Fiscal Year '93	233	666	563

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PLATTE COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	7	7.5%	3	3.6%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	2	108.6	▲
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	5	5.4%	7	8.3%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	3	276.8	0	0.0	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	6	1.4%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Platte #1	2.7		1.97		▼
Platte #2	1.2		0.67		▼

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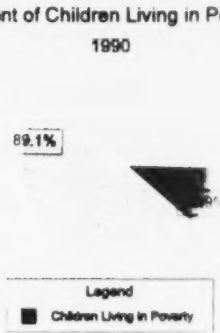
Sheridan County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	23,562
Population under age 18	6,304
Minority population under age 18	182



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$36,677
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$13,066
Number of children living in poverty	690
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	717

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	763	1,448	1,252
Fiscal Year '92	898	1,733	1,647
Fiscal Year '93	964	1,857	1,911

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SHERIDAN COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No Rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	15	5.3%	20	7.1%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 babies)	3	10.5	1	3.6	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	3	60.4	1	19.4	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	18	6.3%	26	9.3%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	0	0.0	5	162.5	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	2	113.5	6	327.7	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	107	7.9%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Sheridan #1	1.4		2.51		▲
Sheridan #2	5.4		6.31		▲
Sheridan #3	0.0		2.15		▲

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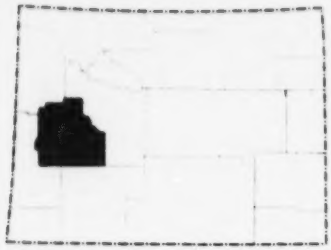
Sublette County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	4,843
Population under age 18	1,365
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990

Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$34,007
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$16,250
Number of children living in poverty	111
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	80

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	49	152	116
Fiscal Year '92	53	184	162
Fiscal Year '93	67	178	180

SUBLETTE COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	4	5.6%	9	12.0%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 births)	2	27.8	0	0.0	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	1	93.0	0	0.0	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	3	4.2%	2	2.7%	▼
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	0	0.0	1	150.2	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	10	4.4%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Sublette #1	0.0		2.03		▲
Sublette #9	1.5		3.42		▲

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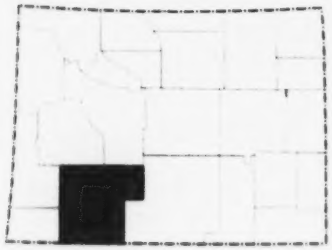
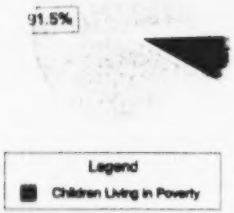
Sweetwater County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	38,823
Population under age 18	13,220
Minority population under age 18	1,431

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$44,686
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$12,574
Number of children living in poverty	1,126
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	1,120

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	1,092	1,836	1,609
Fiscal Year '92	1,123	1,927	1,816
Fiscal Year '93	1,236	2,014	2,077

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SWEETWATER COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	42	7.5%	50	7.9%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 births)	5	8.9	5	7.9	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	3	28.0	2	17.9	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	56	10.0%	53	8.3%	▼
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	1	16.5	6	94.7	▲
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	1	31.8	1	30.8	▼
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	163	6.7%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Sweetwater #1	4.4		6.12		▲
Sweetwater #2	3.0		4.75		▲

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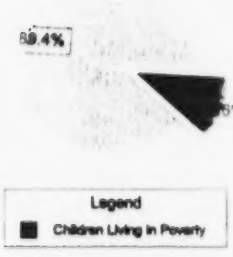
Teton County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	11,172
Population under age 18	2,709
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$42,264
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$15,096
Number of children living in poverty	288
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	240

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	58	126	145
Fiscal Year '92	53	138	171
Fiscal Year '93	54	134	219

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TETON COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No Rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	8	3.8%	11	6.8%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 births)	1	4.7	3	18.5	▲
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	1	45.6	0	0.0	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	5	2.4%	5	3.1%	▼
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	2	191.0	2	165.6	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	1	181.2	0	0.0	▼
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	26	7.3%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Teton #1	0.7		3.22		▲

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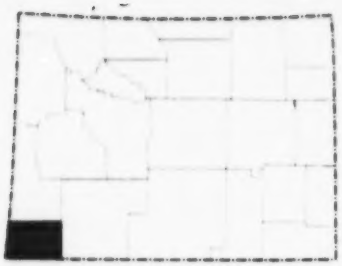
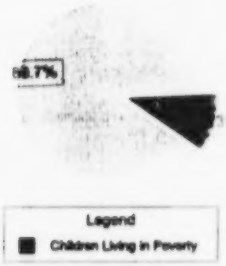
Uinta County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	18,705
Population under age 18	7,441
Minority population under age 18	382

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$40,040
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$12,042
Number of children living in poverty	763
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	529

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	492	959	777
Fiscal Year '92	518	1,106	955
Fiscal Year '93	596	1,189	1,044

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UINTA COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	49	13.6%	33	10.6%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	2	5.5	2	6.5	▲
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	3	50.2	2	31.7	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	28	7.8%	33	10.6%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	6	179.7	1	28.3	▼
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	3	186.0	4	235.8	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	144	11.1%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Uinta #1	4.5		4.15		▼
Uinta #4	4.0		5.35		▲
Uinta #6	1.1		1.13		▲

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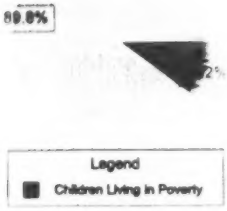
Washakie County

Demographics	1990
Total Population	8,388
Population under age 18	2,515
Minority population under age 18	338

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$32,902
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$ 6,197
Number of children living in poverty	256
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	184

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	211	547	354
Fiscal Year '92	252	636	474
Fiscal Year '93	247	584	557

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WASHAKIE COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No rate or either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percentage of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	11	9.7%	9	8.0%	▼
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 births)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	7	6.2%	10	8.8%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	2	293.3	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	21	4.3%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Washakie #1	2.4		3.46		▲
Washakie #2	0.0		0.00		☆

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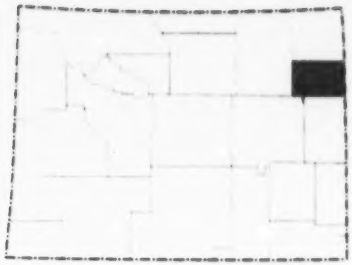
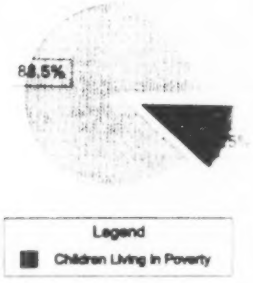
Weston County



Demographics	1990
Total Population	6,518
Population under age 18	1,935
Minority population under age 18	Not Available

Percent of Children Living in Poverty
1990



Family Economics & Composition	1990
Median income of married-couple families with children under 18	$33,151
Median income of female householders with children under 18	$ 7,903
Number of children living in poverty	223
Number of single-parent families with children under 18	156

	AFDC Recipients (Monthly Average)	Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average)	Medicaid Eligibles (Monthly Average)
Fiscal Year '91	143	280	277
Fiscal Year '92	133	302	316
Fiscal Year '93	132	281	313

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WESTON COUNTY	1990		1993		Change Over Time ▼-Better ▲-Worse ☆-No Rate for either year
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Percent Low Birth-Weight Babies (percent of all births under 5.5 lbs.)	7	9.0%	5	9.1%	▲
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	1	12.8	0	0.0	▼
Child Death Rate (ages 1-14, per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	1	63.5	▼
Percent of All Births to Single Teens (percent of live births to unmarried women under age 20)	11	14.1%	10	18.2%	▲
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate (ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths)	0	0.0	0	0.0	☆
Teen Violent Death Rate (ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens)	0	0.0	1	229.4	▲
Percent Teens Not in School and Not in Labor Force (ages 16-19)	35	10.8%	Not Available		⊗
High School Drop-Out Rate (by school district)	School Year 90-91		School Year 93-94		
Weston #1	3.4		1.72		▼
Weston #7	0.6		1.63		▲

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Methodology and Data Sources

The ***1995 Wyoming Children's Factbook*** provides data on indicators of child well-being in Wyoming.

Population

Population is presented for three groups: total population, population under age 18, and minority population under age 18. These numbers were taken from the 1990 Census. The rates requiring the population of specific age groups for 1990 also are taken from the 1990 Census data.

Estimated state and county population totals for 1993 were provided by the Wyoming State Department of Administration and Information. To calculate rates for 1993, the percentage for each age group was calculated for 1990. Assuming that the percentages remained constant over the next three-year period, the percentages were applied to the estimated county population totals.

Source: 1990 Census data provided by the Wyoming State Department of Administration and Information, Economic Analysis Division.

Family Economics & Composition

The data for family economics and composition was taken from the 1990 census. This includes median income of married-couple families with children under 18, median income of female householders with children under 18, number of children living in poverty and number of single-parent families with children under 18.

Source: 1990 Census data provided by the Wyoming State Department of Administration and Information, Economic Analysis Division.

The data for economic assistance includes AFDC recipients, food stamp recipients and Medicaid eligibles. The figures used are monthly averages of the number of recipients.

Source: *1992, 1993 and 1994 Management Information and Statistical Reports*, prepared by the Wyoming Department of Family Services.

Low Birth-Weight Babies

The total number of births of infants weighing less than 5.5 lbs. (less than 2500 grams) was used as numerators. The sum of the total live births for the same period was used for the denominators. The percentage was calculated as 100 · (low birth-weight babies ÷ total number of births).

Source: 1990 and 1993, Wyoming Vital Statistics, Wyoming Department of Health, Vital Records Services.

Infant Deaths

Data were compiled from birth and death certificates from 1990 and 1993. The total number of deaths of infants less than one year of age was used as numerators for the rate calculations. The sums of the total live births for

the same two periods were used for the denominators. All deaths to infants, whose state of residence was Wyoming, were included even if the death occurred outside the state. The rates were calculated as 1,000 - (number of infant deaths ÷ number of live births.)

Source: 1990 and 1993, Wyoming Vital Statistics, Wyoming Department of Health, Vital Records Services.

Child Death Rate

Child death rate, ages 1-14, per 100,000, is the number of deaths from all causes to children between ages 1 and 14, per 100,000 children in this age group. The data are reported by place of residence, not place of death.

Source: 1990 and 1993, Wyoming Vital Statistics, Wyoming Department of Health, Vital Records Services.

Percent of All Births that are to Single Teens

This indicator is the percentage of live births which occur to unmarried women under age 20. Data reported by mother's place of residence.

Source: 1990 and 1993, Wyoming Vital Statistics, Wyoming Department of Health, Vital Records Services.

Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate

Juvenile violent crime arrest rate, ages 10-17, per 100,000 youths, is the number of arrests of persons under age 18 for violent offenses which include: homicide, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.

Source: 1990 and 1993, *Uniform Crime Reporting*, Crime in Wyoming, Office of the Attorney General, Division of Criminal Investigation.

Teen Violent Death Rate

The teen violent death rate, ages 15-19, per 100,000 teens, is the number of deaths from homicide, suicide, and accidents to teens in this age group. The data are reported by place of residence, not where the death occurred.

Source: 1990 and 1993, Wyoming Vital Statistics, Wyoming Department of Health, Vital Records Services.

Percent Teens Not in School and Not in the Work Force

This is the percentage of teenagers between ages 16 and 19 who are not enrolled in school full or part-time and are not employed.

Source: 1990 Census Data provided by the Wyoming State Department of Administration and Information, Economic Analysis Division.

High School Drop-Out Rate

The high school drop-out rate is computed through a formula that counts the number of students in grades 7-12 one year, then comparing the number of students in grades 8-12 the next year plus the number of high-school graduates.

Source: 1990-1991 and 1993-1994 school years, Wyoming State Department of Education.

More Facts About Wyoming

HEALTH

9.4% of the children in Wyoming are not covered by health insurance.[1]

314 Wyoming babies were born to mothers under the age of 18.[2]

EDUCATION

32% of fourth-grade students lacked basic reading skills.[3]

30% of fourth-grade students lacked basic mathematic skills.[3]

48% of secondary students taking advanced mathematics courses were female.[3]

POVERTY

4.7% of children lived in extreme poverty (income below 50% of poverty level) in 1992.[4]

39.9% of mother-headed families received child support or alimony in 1992.[4]

12.1% of children lived in households with no adult male (age 21+) based on 1990 census information.[4]

CRIME

There were 1,242 juvenile arrests for larceny-theft in 1993.[5]

There were 90 juvenile arrests for motor vehicle theft in 1993.[5]

There were 171 juvenile arrests for vandalism in 1993.[5]

There were 71 juvenile arrests for weapons--carry, possess, etc., in 1993.[5]

FAMILIES

There were 662 children in court ordered placements in 1993.[6]

The state paid vendors $7,115,121 for court ordered placements in 1993.[6]

[1]1993 The Caring Program for Children, Blue Cross Blue Shield Association
[2]1993 Vital Records, Wyoming State Department of Health
[3]1993 Wyoming's Education Progress Report, Wyoming State Department of Education
[4]1995 KIDS COUNT DATA BOOK, The Annie E. Casey Foundation
[5]1993 Uniform Crime Reporting, Crime in Wyoming, State of Wyoming Office of the Attorney General, Division of Criminal Investigation
[6]1993 Management Information & Statistical Report, Fiscal Year 1993, Wyoming Department of Family Services

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